House Resolution No. 4054

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of six wondrous decades has passed since L.V. Brown lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Marie Nichols, during a solemn ceremony officiated by the Reverend Dorward on June 12, 1947, at the Baptist Parsonage in Appleton City, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, L.V. and Marie Brown have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include four children and their spouses, Carolyn and Robert Hellwig of Butler, and Wayne and Nancy Brown, Steven and Brenda Brown, and Don and Nancy Brown of Appleton City; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, L.V. Brown has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes serving as a PFC Surgical Technician with the United States Army during World War II; toiling as a farmer on land his grandfather acquired in 1866; serving as an insurance salesman for Bates County Mutual for more than forty years; and taking part in fishing and used to coon hunt with his father-in-law; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker and enjoys her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Marie Brown has also sold Avon over the years and enjoys sewing, crocheting, and glower gardening; and

Whereas, L.V. and Marie Brown derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their affiliation with Round Prairie Baptist Church nine miles southwest of Appleton City; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Appleton City commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a noon day meal at Round Prairie Baptist Church with family, friends, and relative, including Marie's six sisters and two brothers:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to L.V. and Marie Brown and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. L.V. Brown.

Offered by	
Re	epresentative Larry D. Wilson
Di	strict No. 119
I, Rod Jetton,	Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth	General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that th	e above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution N	o. 4054, adopted June 14, 2007.